



Contact Information

2025 Upper Columbia Regional Project Pre-Application

* Pre-applications (SRFB & Monitoring) due March 12, 2025 (COB)

*Complete SRFB applications due in PRISM April 18, 2025 (COB)

*Complete Monitoring applications due in PRISM May 1, 2025 (COB)

*Revised SRFB proposals due in PRISM May 27, 2025 (COB)

*Final revised SRFB & Monitoring applications due in PRISM June 23, 2025 (noon)

Project Title	Lower Peshastin Creek Protection RM 2.5-3.5
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Project Summary

Please provide a description or summary of the proposed project, including project goals. The goal of the project should be to solve identified problems by addressing the root causes. Then clearly state the desired future condition.

Permanent protect over one linear mile of Peshastin Creek, much including both sides of the creek and associated forested floodplain with high ecological integrity within anadromous reaches of Peshastin Creek.

Investigate existence and potential for acquisition or trust of water rights in this reach.

Acquire and steward property that will prevent degradation and facilitate process-based restoratio.

What are the project objectives? Objectives support and refine biological goals, breaking them down into small steps. Objectives are specific, quantifiable actions the project will complete to achieve the stated goal. Each objective should be SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound).

Note: This exact question is included in the PRISM application. Example format: The project seeks to address [specify limiting factor(s)] for [limiting life stage(s)] by [specific actions proposed] to create an estimated [include specific target metrics, as described below] upon implementation in [estimated year].

Acquire a conservation easement on about 12 acres of property owned by Mountain Valley LLC.

Acquire fee title to 22 acre Snider property with both sides of .5 miles of Peshastin Creek.

Acquire fee title to ,71 acre Mallick property that adjoins both Mountain Valley and Snider properties.

Acquire fee title to approximately 4 acres of floodplain on King property that adjoins both Mountain Valley and Snider properties.

Budget Request

Values MAY be duplicative and do not have to equal TOTAL anticipated budget in pre-application.

Anticipated Request - SRFB (standard round) 485,000

Tributary Committee - Anticipated or Actual 485,000

Anticipated TOTAL Budget 970,000

Project Location

Briefly describe the location of the project Peshastin Creek RM 2.5-3.5, tributary of the Wenatchee River, tributary of the Columbia River

Latitude (decimal degrees) 47.53516

Longitude (decimal degrees) -120.62044

Project subbasin Wenatchee

Wenatchee Assessment Unit(s) Lower Peshastin Creek

Does the proposed project span multiple assessment units? No

Reach(es) Name Peshastin Creek Lower 03

Identify the reach(es) priority/ reach ranking. Note: If the project involves work in multiple reaches, select "Multiple" and include details in the text box that will appear below. Please reference the Prioritization Web Map: <https://prioritization.ucsr.org/>. Rank 2

Project Information

1. What species will the project benefit?

Spring Chinook

Steelhead

Bull Trout

2. Select the project's objectives and the associated tracking metrics

Acquisition, Easements, Leases

Acquisition, Easements, Leases: Reporting Code

Miles of streambank and/or Shoreline Protected by Land or Easement Acquisition

Acres by Acreage Type (easement) and/or Acres by Acreage Type (fee simple)

Floodplain Areas Protected** this reporting metric does not appear in PRISM. Work with the LE to add this metric upon completion of project.

4. Does this project already exist in Salmon Recovery Portal or PRISM?

No

5. Has this project been submitted previously for funding through the SRFB and/or other process(es)?

No

6. What category is the project?

Protection

If applicable, what is the secondary project category?

N/A

Is the project eligible for Riparian Funding?

No

Design and Restoration Proposals

Assessment Proposals

Protection Proposals

7. What type of protection are you proposing?

Fee Simple

8. Is this protection project associated with a current or future restoration project?

Yes

9. Placement - Does the project protect important high quality habitat and/or watershed processes and to what degree

The project protects all or parts of 4 contiguous private ownerships along a mile of Peshastin Creek. Most has high quality riparian habitat and good shading of the creek. the Mountain Valley (MVA) property has abandoned orchard and may have some potential for returning water to in-stream. The King property

currently has structures/debris in the floodplain that must be assessed and costs of removal allocated with the property owner in the acquisition or added to this project. The Snider property is undeveloped and has high quality riparian and forested habitat. The small Mallik parcel unifies all of the above to ensure continuous protection and restoration potential.

USCRB have identified Spring Chinook and Steelhead Redds within this stretch of Peshastin Creek.

10. Freshwater Benefit - What would be the anticipated loss in survival, capacity or distribution for target species at the reach scale if the proposed area is not protected?

If the property is developed for permanent residential and/or recreational use, the impact to the creek habitat would be substantial. Residences would require wells and septic systems, and removal of riparian vegetation. Such development would further fragment the properties with lots 5 acres or smaller and prevent process-based restoration.

11. Threat - How imminent is the threat of habitat degradation to the proposed land if the project is not implemented?

The MVA owners are investors with some development plans (yet undetermined) on their property.

The King property is owned by an elderly man in poor health and they have indicated the desire to sell quickly..

CDLT has been in contact with Monte Snider for several years, and he wants t5o sell or develop.

12. Conditions - Briefly describe if there are any conditions regarding the protection of the property that could limit the protection benefits

None known

13. Will there be public access?

Yes

Monitoring Proposals

Project Risk and Economic Benefits

1. What is the landownership?

private

2. Have you secured landowner participation in or acceptance for this project?

Yes

Please explain

MVA and Snider have signed landowner Acknowledgment forms. Requests are in process with Mallick and King.

3. Describe any land owner requirements (e.g., design elements, right-of-ways, access agreements, liability waivers, etc.) and if/how they could affect the project

MVA prefers a conservation easement to fee simple. The others would be fee simple.

4. Will the project raise potential concerns for interest groups (e.g., recreational users) or the community at large (including upstream/ downstream/ adjacent landowners)?

None known

5. Who will have the responsibility to manage and maintain the project? What is the responsibility of current or future landowners?

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6. Are other projects being proposed immediately upstream or downstream of worksite?

Don't know

7. Please describe the risk of failure associated with this project.

The risk of failure is non-acceptance of the appraised value by each landowner.

8. Is there any public outreach planned during and/or after implementation? Does the project build community support for salmon recovery efforts?

CDLT members are familiar with CDLT's long history of riparian protection activities. Due to landowner sensitivity, these are not shared when acquisitions are proposed. After the acquisition, CDLT publishes press releases regarding new protected lands and its importance to salmonid populations. CDLT makes contact with neighbors about its ownership and about restoration activities.

9. Does the project represent an opportunity for economic benefit? How much benefit does the project create for the dollars invested?

Every acquisition project benefits the local economy by supporting salmon populations and enabling future restoration projects. On fee owned lands, CDLT and partners conduct educational activities, and this site is more accessible than upper White or Entiat River areas. CDLT lands are managed to benefit the public and local economy.

10. Describe any partnerships, their experience, and types of contributions supporting the project.

CDLT will work with Cascade Fisheries on planned restoration on the MVA property and see what opportunities are available on the other properties.

Optional Section - Preparation for PRISM (SRFB applications only)

The following questions are identical to the questions RCO requires in the PRISM application for SRFB projects. If desired, sponsors can complete associated questions early and copy responses into PRISM during the "Complete Application" phase due on April 18, 2025.

*please note, this section is not applicable for Monitoring proposals

Do you want to review and/or pre-populate PRISM questions?

No

Supporting Documents

[Upper Columbia Process Guide 2025](#)

[SRFB Manual 18 \(2025\)](#)

[RCO Application Resources \(2025\)](#)